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SUBJ: FORMAL CHARGES IN LOCKHEED CASE

1. YESTERDAY PARLIAMENTARY INQUIRY COMMISSION VOTED TO CHARGE EX-MINISTERS RUMOR, (DC), GUI (DC) AND TANASSI (PSDI) WITH "AGGRAVATED CORRUPTION," I.E., SIMILAR TO AN AMERICAN CHARGE OF HAVING ACCEPTED OR BEING ACCESSORY TO PAYMENT OF A BRIBE FOR OFFICIAL ACTIONS. IN ADDITION TO THE THREE EX-MINISTERS, THE EX-CHIEF OF THE AIR FORCE FANALI AND BRUNO PALMIOTTI, EX-ASSISTANT TO TANASSI, WERE SIMILARLY CHARGED.

2. THE CHARGES AGAINST RUMOR WERE VOTED TEN TO NINE, WITH 8 DC AND 1 MSI VOTING AGAINST. THE CHARGES AGAINST GUI WERE VOTED 11 TO 8, WITH ONLY THE DC VOTING AGAINST. THE CHARGES AGAINST TANASSI, FANALI AND PALMIOTTI WERE VOTED UNANIMOUSLY.

3. THE COMMISSION IS CURRENTLY MEETING TO CONSIDER THE POSSIBILITY OF ADDITIONAL CHARGES AGAINST THE ABOVE INDIVIDUALS AS WELL AS CHARGES AGAINST OTHER ITALIANS AND AMERICANS ALLEGEDLY INVOLVED IN THE CASE. VOLPE

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